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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE AIR RESCUE REQUEST

1. GUYANA AIRWAYS TWIN OTTER, MISSING SINCE SUNDAY ON FLIGHT OVER INTERIOR JUNGLE WITH FOUR PEOPLE ABOARD, LOCATED LATE YESTERDAY BY SEARCH AIRCRAFT. CRASHED ON ESCARPMENT, AT ESTIMATED ALTITUDE 3,600 FEET, SOME SEVEN MILES NORTHEAST OF KURUPUNG. ONE SURVIVOR SEEN ON FUSELAGE. BELIEVED OTHERS INSIDE. SURROUNDING AREA IMPENETRABLE AND AUTHORITIES CONCLUDE ONLY HELICOPTER CAN EFFECT RESCUE.

2. GOG REQUESTED HELICOPTER ASSISTANCE FROM BRAZIL AT 6 P.M. LOCAL TIME YESTERDAY. NO RESPONSE YET, AND COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS FEARED. ALSO HAS ASCERTAINED A BRISTOL HELICOPTER AVAILABLE IN PORT-OF-SPAIN AND TWO ALLOUETTES IN CAYENNE, BUT THESE LACK WINCHES ESSENTIAL FOR RESCUE AND LANDING IMPOSSIBLE.

3. GUYANA DEFENSE FORCE ESTABLISHING BASE ON AIRSTRIP AT KURUPUNG TO INCLUDE POL SUPPLIES.

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4. FOREIGN MINISTER RAMPHAL HAS ALERTED EMB TO POSSIBLE

FORMAL REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE SHOULD BRASILIAN NOT BE
RESPONSIVE. THIS MESSAGE CONSEQUENTLY IS TENTATIVE ALERT.
COORDINATES ETC WILL BE SUPPLIED LATTER AS NECESSARY.

5. NO US CITIZENS INVOLVED. KING

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